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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY March 14, 2002

David Waddell Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243

Re:

In the Matter of Petition of Tennessee UNE-P Coalition to Open a Contested Case Proceeding to Declare Unbundled Switching an

Unrestricted Unbundled Network Element

Docket No. 02-00207

Dear David:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned proceeding is the original and thirteen copies of the Petition to Intervene filed on behalf of AT&T Communications of the South Central States. A copy has been forwarded to BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Very truly yours,

BOULT, CUMMINGS, CONNERS & BERRY, PLC

By:

Henry Walker

HW/nl Attachment

## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

## March 13, 2002

IN RE: Petition of Tennessee UNE-P Coalition	)		
to Open Contested Case Proceeding to Declare	)	Docket No. 02-00207	7
Unbundled Switching an Unrestricted	)		
Unbundled Network Element	)		

## PETITION TO INTERVENE

AT&T Communications of the South Central States, L.L.C. and TCG MidSouth, Inc. (collectively "AT&T") petition the Authority to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310(b).

AT&T is a competitive local exchange carrier certified by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") to offer intrastate telecommunications services in Tennessee.

The above-captioned docket concerns the petition filed by the Tennessee UNE-P Coalition to request the TRA to hold a contested case proceeding to establish unrestricted local switching as a "new interconnection service." As a competing local exchange carrier in Tennessee, AT&T's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests or responsibilities may be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding. <sup>1</sup>

Granting this petition will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

AT&T was aware and supportive of the initial filing by the UNE-P Coalition, but was unable to obtain the necessary corporate approval in time to join in the original complaint.

AT&T therefore requests that this Petition to Intervene be granted and, if granted, that AT&T be considered a member of the UNE-P Coaltion.<sup>2</sup>

Respectfully submitted,

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As the Coalition has previously noted, the Coalition is not a formal organization but a convenient designation of the various individual carriers who are parties to this proceeding.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been forwarded via fax or hand delivery and U.S. mail to the following on this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2002.

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